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NOVEL THERMOSTABLE PROTEOLYTIC ENZYMES AND USES  
THEREOF IN PEPTIDE AND PROTEIN SYNTHESIS  
(Young)  
Serial No. 10/825,921; filed April 15, 2004

Attachment: Election Under 35 U.S.C. § 121 and Preliminary Amendment (4 pages)

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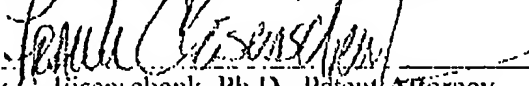
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ELECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121  
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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ELECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121 AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the written Restriction Requirement dated July 24, 2006 in the above-identified patent application, Applicant hereby elects to prosecute the invention of Group II (claim 3), without traverse.

Prior to examination, Applicant respectfully requests that the subject application be amended as follows:

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